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SUBJ: FEDERAL COUNCILOR FURGLER VISIT TO WASHINGTON APRIL 24

1. ACCOMPANIED BY POL/ECOUNS, AMB CALLED ON
FED COUNCILOR FURGLER, WHO HEADS DEPT JUSTICE AND
POLICE, TO DISCUSS HIS VISIT TO WASHINGTON ON APR 24.

2. FURGLER WILL ARRIVE FROM NEW YORK ON EVENING OF
APR 23 AND RETURN TO NEW YORK EARLY IN MORNING OF
APR 25. AS FAR AS HE KNOWS, ONLY APPOINTMENT
SCHEDULED SO FAR IS WITH US ATTORNEY GENERAL BELL AT
1500 ON APR 24. HE SAID HE WAS WILLING TO SEE
ANYONE ELSE, TIME PERMITTING. WE SAID WE COULD SEND
OUR RECOMMENDATIONS TO DEPT FOR COORDINATION WITH
AMB PROBST AND HIS STAFF.

3. FURGLER MOST ANXIOUS TO HAVE OPPORTUNITY FOR
RETURN VISIT WITH PRES CARTER. HE TOLD US OF HIS
VERY GREAT ADMIRATION FOR OUR COUNTRY AND HIS HEART-
FELT BELIEVE IN ITS IMPORTANCE TO FREE WORLD AND IDEALS
FOR WHICH THAT WORLD STANDS. HE RECALLED HOW
MUCH HE ENJOYED MEETING PRESIDENT IN GENEVA ON
MAY 9, 1977, HOW PLEASED HE WAS THAT PRES
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WAS ABLE TO FIND A QUARTER-HOUR "FOR SWITZERLAND"
AND HOW IMPRESSED HE WAS WITH DEPTH OF PRESIDENT'S
KNOWLEDGE.

4. IF IT WERE POSSIBLE FOR PRESIDENT OR VICE PRES
TO GIVE FURGLER TEN OR FIFTEEN MINUTES, IT WOULD BE
VERY HELPFUL TO US. WE ARE CONSTANTLY PRESSING

SWISS TO IMPROVE THEIR COOPERATION WITH US ON LAW
ENFORCEMENT MATTERS. FURGLER IS KEY FEDERAL COUNCILOR
IN THIS AREA; WE NEED HIS HELP AND SUPPORT. FURGLER
IS ALSO MOST DYNAMIC OF FED COUNCILORS, AND HIS VIEWS
ON OTHER ISSUES ARE IMPORTANT WHEN WE SEEK SWISS
SUPPORT IN INTL ORGANIZATIONS OR ELSEWHERE.

5. AS TIME AND/OR APPOINTMENTS PERMIT WE RECOMMEND
THAT HE SEE CHIEF JUSTICE BURGER, IRS COMMISSIONER KURTZ, SEC
CHAIRMAN WILLIAMS, FRB CHAIRMAN MILLER OF GOV WALLICH, AND
IN DEPT OF STATE THAT HE BE RECEIVED BY ASST SECY VEST.
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